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Sewer Hearing Recessed; Task Force Accedes to City Request

On Monday, March 1, at the Oxon Hill Library, after more than three hours of testimony, the second 10-Year Water and Sewers Program hearing was recessed until further announcement. The county commissioners had scheduled the March 1 session after speakers at the first hearing, on January 22, complained that no maps had been provided to the public before the hearing. The commissioners also assigned an inter-agency staff-level Task Force to study the hearing record, to make recommendations at the second hearing, and to make documents available in advance.

Candidly admitting that they had been unable to meet the deadline again, the WSSC and Task Force officials presented their maps and report to the county council and to the public for the first time Monday night.

Parcel 1 and 2 Sewage

Of major interest to Greenbelters, the Task Force recommended that parcels 1 and 2 (land between Baltimore-Washington Parkway and Greenbelt Homes, Inc. property) be designated System Area 5, which would call for no sewerage within the foreseeable future (next ten years). This area had been designated last year System Area 3 — an immediate needs category — because of the then 'imminence of construction of a senior high school on parcel 2.

The Task Force noted that "Mrs. Rhea Cohen of Greenbelt requested by letter that the area . . . be designated System Area 5" and that it "has reviewed this request and recommends approval of Mrs. Cohen's recommendation. This recommendation has been further endorsed by the City Council of Greenbelt."

Appearing on behalf of the Greenbelt city council, councilwoman Elizabeth Maffay stated that the city council has begun studying the possible purchase of parcels 1 and 2 for open space. She asked that "any decisions as to providing water and sewer facilities to this area should be held in abeyance . . . until such time as final determination concerning the development of this area is made."

Additionally, the city requested that the entire Smith-Ewing tract north of Greenbelt Road be designated category 3 for inclusion in the Greenbriar ditch sewer extension, using a lift (pumping) station as the connection. At present only a portion of the Smith-Ewing tract has immediate priority (category 3) for sewer construction; the remainder is designated category 5 and has been proposed for category 4. The city noted that the Board of Education is in the process of acquiring 40 acres of this land for the new senior high school. Most of the remaining acreage is for the Greenbriar Apartments.

Speaking for Greenbelt Homes, Inc., Thomas X White reiterated the City's request to exclude parcels 1 and 2 from the sewer program because of the "huge cost" of sewer service estimated for the area and because the land's best use appears to be for public open space.

One more speaker from Greenbelt, Mrs. Rhea Cohen, testified for the Save Our Community Committee. The SOCC statement was similar to GHI's, noting that the woodland in question is all that remains of the original outer buffer of trees planned for Greenbelt. SOCC differed with the City concerning the Greenbriar property, asking that no exceptions to the sewer ban be made for new housing developments. Pointing out that the hearing should have been postponed because no official materials were publicly distributed beforehand, Mrs. Cohen asked for a ruling from County Attorney Walter Maloney as to the validity of the hearing.

At the request of Council, Maloney replied that in his opinion

MUSICIANS WANTED FOR GREENBELT BAND

Musicians are being sought for the Greenbelt Concert Band, a citizens' group that rehearses on Mondays. The band plays classical music as well as pop tunes and marches. There is no age limit, but an ability to read music and an interest in working hard is mandatory. There are openings in all areas, but people who play percussion instruments are especially in demand. For details, call 894-0889, 736-6006, or 345-6789.

College Park Annexation Proposal To Be Aired in Public Hearing

A public hearing will be held on Tuesday, March 16, on the plans of the city of College Park to annex an area of about three square miles, including a substantial portion of the Agricultural Research Center to the north of Greenbelt. The hearing will be conducted by the City Council of College Park at its city hall at 8 p.m.

Of concern to Greenbelt is that some of the area involved borders the northwestern boundaries of the city. The area proposed for annexation would cross the Baltimore and Ohio railroad at the northwest corner of the city and follow the northern city limit line to Indian Creek, at which point its boundary line would follow Indian Creek away from the city north to Edmonston Road.

It would then go north on Edmonston Road to Beaver Dam Road, where the line would go east, paralleling the Greenbelt city limits as far as Pesticide Road, about a mile north of Greenbelt's northern boundary.

When first broached in 1967, the annexation plan was stymied by court action because of faulty annexation procedures. The city of Greenbelt at that time opposed the annexation since the area being considered for annexation was thought to be more closely oriented toward Greenbelt than toward any other municipality.

Greenbelt's objections led to some modifications of the plan, which are now incorporated in the present plan.

The city of Greenbelt, however, went on record in April 1970, as opposing also this modified annexation plan, because it still included part of the Research Center that lies north of the Greenbelt city limits and east of the railroad tracks. The city believes that the railroad serves as a natural and logical line between this area and the rest of College Park. It also notes that the principal roads traversing this area go to Greenbelt and Beltsville, not College Park.

Reportedly, the city of Greenbelt has no legal recourse against the College Park action, since it is not one of the parties being annexed.

According to College Park officials, the city wants the land because it expects the Federal Government to be relinquishing part if not all of the Research Center at some future date and it desires some control over how the land will be developed.

However, the College Park city council is not unanimous concerning the wisdom of annexation. The decision to consider the matter, for example, just squeaked through council by a five to four vote.

the 10-Year Program is a master plan and that hearings held so far have not conformed with the procedure outlined in Article VII of the County Charter. These specify that the County Executive must first submit his recommendations to the Council before the Council can introduce a bill calling for a hearing. Accordingly, at the finish of the rest of the evening's testimony, the Council decided to simply recess the hearing until the Charter requirements could be met.

Census Breakdown Shows City's Youth

Greenbelt is a young adult's town. That is what the 1970 Decennial Census shows when the data for Greenbelt are compared with those of Prince Georges county. Forty-five percent of Greenbelt's population is in the age category 18 through 34, compared with 31.2 percent for the county.

When persons aged 35 to 44 are included in the "youth" category, more than half of Greenbelt's population is accounted for—53.9 percent. The comparable proportion in this age category (18 to 44) for the county is 43.2 percent.

The age and sex distribution of Greenbelt as of April 1, 1970 was as follows:

Age	Male	Female	Total
Under 18	2,928	2,799	5,727
18-44	4,841	4,965	9,806
45-64	947	1,123	2,070
Over 65	209	387	596
	8,925	9,274	18,199

Children under age 18 accounted for 31.5 percent of Greenbelt's population and 37.2 percent of the county's population. Persons in the age category, 45 to 64 represented 11.4 percent of Greenbelt's population and 15.6 percent of the county's. Greenbelt also had a smaller proportion of its population in the age bracket 65 and over: 3.3 percent as against 4.0 percent for the county.

The Decennial Census showed that there were 6,431 families in Greenbelt: 1,348 one-member families, 4,660 multi-member families headed by males and 423 multi-member families headed by females. When compared to the county, Greenbelt had a greater proportion of one-member families and a smaller proportion of families headed by women.

The Decennial Census showed that 2.6 percent of Greenbelt's population was nonwhite. The comparable figure for the county was 15 percent.

BOOKS FOR VET HOSPITALS

The American Legion Post No. 136 has designated March as "Books for Veteran Hospitals" month. Books may be brought to Co-op and Suburban Trust. Call Dick Pilski, 474-4581.

WHAT GOES ON

Mon., March 8, 8 p.m. City Council Meeting, Municipal Building.

Tues., March 9, 8 p.m. Greenbelt Junior High School PTA Meeting.

8 p.m. Organizing Meeting, Co-ed Explorers, Co-op Hospitality Room.

USE OF RIDGE SITE FOR ELDERLY HOUSING QUESTIONED BY COUNCIL

by Al Skolnik

A damper was thrown on the housing for the elderly project by a city manager report submitted to city council on February 22. The city's advisory boards had recommended consideration of part of the old Lutheran Church site (now the Ridge Road Center) for an elderly housing project subject to certain conditions.

AGENDA

REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL

Monday, March 8, 1971
8 p.m.

I ORGANIZATION

- 1 Roll Call
- 2 Call to Order
- 3 Lord's Prayer
Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
- 4 Minutes of Regular Meeting of February 22, 1971
- 5 Additions to Agenda by Councilmen and Manager
- 6 Appointment to Council

II COMMUNICATIONS

- 7 Petitions and Requests
- 8 Administrative Reports
- 9 Committee Reports

III OLD BUSINESS

- 10 An Ordinance to Prohibit Outdoor Burning Except for Small Controlled Fires - Second Reading
- 11 A Resolution to Establish New Admission Fees for the Greenbelt Swimming Pool - Second Reading
- 12 Appointment to Board

IV NEW BUSINESS

- 13 Charter Amendment Resolution to Amend Section 40-55, Bonds-Issuance - First Reading
- 14 An Ordinance to Repeal Ordinance Number 654 and 661 Relating to the Establishment of a Special Taxing District - First Reading
- 15 Resolution - Transfer of Funds - First Reading
- 16 College Park Annexation
- 17 Proposed Purchase of Parcels 1, 2 and 15
- 18 State Legislation
- 19 Meetings

V MISCELLANEOUS

Conservation Talk Given By Maynard And Koontz

Emil S. Maynard, chairman of the Prince Georges County Maryland Environmental Trust, and John W. Koontz, Chief, Division of Air Pollution Control of Prince Georges County, spoke to a small gathering of Greenbelt citizens about conservation on Wednesday, February 10.

Before Maynard spoke, he showed a film entitled "A Land Betrayed." The short film set the scene for the discussion topic: that the "cancer of ugliness" has set in, in our cities and towns, lakes and waterfronts, scenic wonderlands, and beaches.

After a talk on pollution, Maynard showed the group some slides of pollution in Greenbelt and other areas of the county.

He and Koontz, during a question and answer period, suggested that people must be motivated to become involved in order to help solve or reduce the environmental pollution problem. Koontz suggested that people's behavior patterns have changed.

Maynard also stated that the newly elected County Executive, William W. Gullett, has recognized the pollution problem and the necessity of taking care of it.

City manager James Giese saw two main difficulties with the Ridge Road site. First, the site, which was purchased with the assistance of Federal open-space funds, has restrictions as to use. In order to lift these restrictions, Giese said, "the city must either repay the Federal Government for its share of funds or acquire at the city's expense additional open space land comparable to that lost." The city is also hopeful of receiving State open-space grants, which will probably contain similar use restrictions.

Second, the use of the Ridge Road Center site would involve zoning problems. Giese said that the least dense zoning category under which the housing proposed could be built is the R-18 zone (21 units per acre). "Such zoning," Giese declared, "would not be compatible with the planned zoning of the surrounding area — R-T (townhouse). The obtaining of such zoning would change the character of the community and could be used in support of the rezoning of other land in that area."

Other Possibilities

The report included an evaluation of several other sites in the city that could be considered for the elderly housing project.

(1) City-owned parcel 6 of the Commercial Center. This parcel encompasses the land on which the west center and north (rear) center parking lots are located, as well as the Municipal Building and the vacant land to the west of the bank. A building, Giese said, might be constructed utilizing air rights over the parking lot. Deed restrictions would not prohibit such a use.

Three other suggestions involved privately-owned property:

(2) Greenbelt Development Corporation property on Parkway. The report said that apartments on this land operated by this GHI-owned subsidiary are already utilized to a great extent for elderly housing. There appears to be sufficient additional land to construct the number of housing units proposed.

(3) GHI property at end of Gardenway. The same zoning problems exist with this land as with the Ridge Road Center property. However, Giese said, there is sufficient land area to consider other types of housing construction than high-rise, which may be more compatible to the adjacent proposed zoning.

(4) Springhill Lake North. Zoning would not be a problem but land acquisition might be. The report observed that construction could not be considered until other development takes place in the area.

The council decided to place the item on the March 8 council agenda, but in general expressed agreement with the manager's report. Mayor Smith said he just didn't see any city land available that could be used for the housing project, casting a negative vote on the parcel 6 idea also. Council member Dick Pilski was strong in his opposition to the Ridge Road Center site, saying that he was motivated mainly by protecting that area against high density zoning. At the very least, council member Elizabeth Maffay added, nothing should be done in this area until the future of parcel 2 is determined.

Other Matters

The city will request MNCPPC to designate Hamilton cemetery as a historical landmark . . . The council took appreciative note of a \$225 donation by "Pop" Cipriano to the Youth Center for the purchase of a pool table . . . The council commended Gabriel Sucher, a Greenbelt Junior High School student, for his scholarly report on the effects of a new road connecting Breezewood Drive and Greenbelt Road on the athletic field of the school. The city manager indicated he has some comments to pass along to the author.

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Concern for Human Rights To the Editor:

With all the talk about freedom and justice, events prove that tyranny is still quite widespread. A case in point is the present plight of the Russian Jews. There, a people evidently desiring only to practice their religion, retain their cultural identity, and be treated with common decency are, from all evidence, being subjected to a massive dose of anti-Semitism. Regardless of one's own religious belief or non-belief, this type of planned assault on a whole people is repulsive.

I ask my fellow Catholics and others in this community concerned about human rights to write to Senators Mathias and Beall and Representative Hogan urging them to introduce and/or support a Congressional resolution condemning the inhuman treatment of Jewish citizens of Russia.

Joseph Costa

Intrepid Trio Take Tough Toboggan Trip

"Too much good weather" at Lake Placid, N.Y., forced the postponement of the Mayors' Toboggan Race in that snow capital. Scheduled for Saturday morning, Feb. 27, the race, which is run on an iced course that ends on the ice of frozen-over Mirror Lake, was cancelled when a light morning rain and afternoon sunshine and thaw softened the surface. Most of the 500 entrants, mayors from nearby communities, stayed on for the rescheduled run on Sunday evening. However, Greenbelt's representatives, former mayor Francis W. White, city manager James K. Giese, and recreation director Darald Lofgren—could not await the main event. For them, and for a few other Maryland teams who had been invited to participate, a special race was scheduled on a Mt. Whitney ski slope on Sunday morning. The race was timed, but the distance was not measured.

Winner of this special event was a three-man team headed by Mayor Peacock of Lake Placid, with a time of 19½ seconds. The Greenbelt team, almost half a second slower, tied with the New Carrollton team in second place. A College Park team also participated in the race.

Greenbelt's participation in the event was not an official city-sponsored activity. White had accepted the invitation while he was still mayor. When current mayor Edgar L. Smith, offered the opportunity to go in White's place, declined, White kept the date, "for the honor and glory of the city."

All three of the city's representatives were novices. Lofgren had tobogganed before, but never on a run. Giese had been on a run before. White had no experience with the sport. Had he known what he was getting into, would he have gone?

The Tax Recorder

by Frederick J. Isaacs

Send your tax questions to Frederick J. Isaacs, The Tax Recorder, c/o The Greenbelt News Review, Box 68, Greenbelt.

When both the husband and wife have incomes of over \$1,000, it is usually better to file a "combined separate" Maryland return (assuming a joint federal was filed). When in doubt, do the return both ways.

A joint Maryland return will cost \$90 in extra taxes (assuming 50% surtax) if both the husband and wife have over \$3,000 in net taxable income. Once you file, the original choice is irrevocable, so when in doubt, do it both ways and use the least expensive.

Recreation Review

Indoor Badminton

The Recreation Department is currently registering for badminton club. All materials (except birdies) and some basic instruction will be provided. Call immediately at 474-6878, daily 9 - 5 p.m.

Bridge Club

Our Bridge Club meets every Friday from 1 to 3 p.m. The club is free and babysitting is provided. Call for information.

Pre-Teen Club

This popular group for elementary school boys and girls, fifth and sixth grades only, meets the first and third Friday evenings from 7 - 9 p.m. Program dates for March include: Friday, March 5 and Friday, March 19. Frank Robson, a county physical education instructor, directs the activities, which include diversified games, tumbling, and special events.

B-League Final

The Gunners, led by Richard Carnerons 19 points, defeated Na-Na 61-58 in this local men's league championship game held at the Youth Center. A packed house viewed the close contest, which concluded a full season of play and tournament eliminations for sixteen teams. Vic Hart scored 25 points in Na-Na's losing effort.

Arts and Crafts (Children)

All elementary boys and girls are invited to attend this free program. Sessions are held as follows: Ridge Road Center, Monday - Grades 1 & 2; Wednesday - Grades 3 & 4; Friday - Grades 5 & 6. Beginning this week at the Youth Center - Grades 1, 2 & 3 on Thursdays and on Tuesdays Grades 4, 5 & 6. All of the classes will meet from 4 - 5:30 p.m. Miss Janie will instruct at the Youth Center.

Kids Drop In

The Ridge Road Center has all types of games available weekdays after school from 4 - 5:30 p.m. and Saturdays from 1 - 4 p.m. Activities are free.

Cozad-Peters

Mr. and Mrs. Lee F. Cozad, 1 Orange Ct., announce the marriage of their daughter Patricia Ann to William Christie Peters, son of Joseph W. Peters, 7-B Plateau Place and Mrs. Margaret Bruno of Ft. Meade, Md.

The ceremony took place on Saturday, February 20 at the Greenbelt Community Church with Rev. Robert L. Field officiating.

After a honeymoon at Williamsburg, Va. and Virginia Beach the couple will be at home at 7122 Hanover Parkway, Greenbelt.

Snoddy-Dutton

Mr. and Mrs. John E. Snoddy, 110 Greenhill, announce the engagement of their daughter Elaine Catherine to Richard Joseph Dutton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter V. Dutton, 5A Eastway. An August wedding is planned.

Baptist Church Holds Talk on Drug Problem

Joseph Amico, Drug Coordinator of Prince Georges County, will be guest speaker at the Sunday Evening Worship Hour (7 p.m.) at Greenbelt Baptist Church. He will discuss "The Drug Problem Confronting Prince Georges County Today."

In extending an invitation to all concerned citizens Pastor Morris observed, "We are facing a problem that transcends all racial, economic, or political barriers. I gladly turn the larger portion of my Sunday Evening Worship Service over to Mr. Amico." The public is invited to attend.

JCC Talks About Drugs

Lou Amico, Drug Coordinator for Prince Georges County, will be the guest speaker at the Sunday Morning bagels and cream cheese and lox breakfast of the Mishkan Torah Men's Club, on Sunday, March 7, at 10 a.m., at the Springhill Lake Community Center. His subject will be "The Drug Problem in Prince Georges County - Past Present and Future."

Purim Carnival

A Purim Carnival will be held at the Mishkan Torah, Ridge and Westway, on Sunday March 7 from 12 to 3 p.m. Children of all ages are invited and tickets will be sold at the door.

The reading of the Megillah will take place on Wednesday, March 10 at 8 p.m. Noise makers and refreshments will be provided in keeping with the holiday.

Straley-Nusinov

Mrs. Helen Straley of Elmira, New York announces the engagement of her daughter Jeanette to Marcus Nusinov, son of Joe Nusinov, 26-B Ridge. Miss Straley, a teacher, is a graduate of Elmira College, where she received a M.S. Degree in Education. Mr. Nusinov, who was in the Air Force for four years, is now attending the University of Maryland, majoring in Physics. He is employed in the electronics field in Silver Spring. The couple will be married in mid-July in Elmira.

Skolnik-Felde

Miss Rita P. Skolnik, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Skolnik, 2-E Northway, was married on February 10 to Wayne Felde, son of Mrs. Ruby Felde, 221 Lakeside Drive. The couple is residing in Greenbelt.

Waters-Dryal

Mrs. Edna Waters of Berwyn Heights announces the engagement of her daughter Irene Theresa to Stephen Kenneth Dyal, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. Stanley Dyal of Beltsville, formerly of Greenbelt. The bride elect is also the daughter of the late Mr. Ned Waters. A September wedding is planned.

Center School Bake Sale and Car Wash

Center School will hold a bake sale and car wash on Saturday, March 6, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. One bake sale will be held outside the post office and another outside Tanner's. The car wash plus vacuuming will be done on the school parking lot.

Local residents are invited to come and help raise money so the sixth graders can pay costs for all their classmates to attend the experience in outdoor education to be held at Camp Letts on March 18 and 19. The county school system is able to fund the expenses for one class only.

Ellerin-Rindler

Miss Susan Lynn Ellerin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert A. Ellerin of 54 Lakeside Drive, was married on Sunday, February 28 to Edward P. Rindler, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Rindler of Lowell, Massachusetts.

Rabbi Maurice Weisenberg performed the ceremony at the bride's home. A family reception followed.

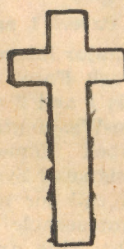
Mrs. Rindler is a graduate student at the Annenberg School of Communications at the University of Pennsylvania and an educational consultant to the State Department of Education of New Jersey.

Rindler presently is Editor of the National Negro History Bibliography Project, developed through the Library Company of Philadelphia and the Historical Society of Pennsylvania under a Ford Foundation Grant. He is completing his Ph.D. in American Civilization at the University of Pennsylvania. The couple will reside in Philadelphia, Pa.

OPENING DAY BASEBALL TRIP SCHEDULED

The Greenbelt Sports Club is again planning to sponsor a bus trip to the Washington Senators opening game in April. (474-5156).

Holy Cross Lutheran Church



6905 Greenbelt Rd.

Worship Services

8:30 and 11:15 A.M.

Sunday School 9:30 A.M.

Edward H. Birner, Pastor

Phone 345-5111

9:45 A.M.	Sunday School	6:00 P.M.	Training Union
11:00 A.M.	Morning Worship	7:00 P.M.	Evening Worship
7:30 P.M.	Wednesday		Midweek Service
GREENBELT BAPTIST CHURCH			
Crescent & Greenhill Rds. S. Jasper Morris, Jr., Pastor 474-4040			

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH (Mowatt Memorial)	40 Ridge Road, Greenbelt, Md.
Telephone 474-9410	
Rev. Clifton Cunningham, Pastor - Tel. 474-3381	
Worship Service 11:00 A.M.	
(Nursery through 2nd grade at 11:00)	
Church School (3rd grade through adults) 9:30 A.M.	

Greenbelt Community Church

(United Church of Christ)

Hillside and Crescent Roads

Family Worship 11 a.m.

Church School Program 11 a.m.
(Nursery Care Provided)

Coffee Hour 12 Noon

Church Telephone - 474-6171 (Mornings)

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CITY OF GREENBELT MARYLAND INVITATION TO BID

The City of Greenbelt, Maryland is seeking bids for the purchase of One (1) Truck Chassis with a Minimum of 10,000 G.V.W., Equipped with an Utility Body and a 38 Ft. Aerial Ladder, for which specifications and forms may be obtained by contacting the City Clerk, 25 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, Maryland 20770, Telephone 474-8000. Bids will be received at the City Offices, 25 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, Maryland until 8:00 P.M., Monday, March 22, 1971, at which time they will be opened at a meeting of the City Council.

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EROSION PROBLEMS IN GREENBELT CITED BY WATER RESOURCES MAN

by Elaine Skolnik

Problems of erosion in Greenbelt are of a "significant" nature, Roger Kanerva of the State Department of Water Resources told an assemblage at the Greenbelt Library on February 24. Speaking at a Library-Jaycees-sponsored discussion meeting, the sedimentation specialist showed slides of areas in Greenbelt where erosion was at work and corrective measures were needed. At the same time, he depicted examples where good erosion control procedures were being used.

Among the areas that are causing concern are the Municipal Warehouse site, almost the entire stream channel between the lower Co-op Parking lot and the Lake, the sanitary land fill and the Greenbelt Junior High School. Kanerva said that the warehouse site has an inadequately protected outfall and that measures are necessary to provide proper vegetation of the area. In addition, the surface water must be controlled to prevent the washing away of soil. He also noted oil seepage behind the garage. (Parks Superintendent Hans Jorgensen, in an interview with this reporter, said the city was awaiting recommendations from the Dept. of Water Resources to correct the problem.)

Kanerva also drew attention to the need to control the stream channels running to the lake by lining them with stones (rip-rap). The velocity of the water should be slowed down to prevent the wearing-away of earth, especially during heavy rain-falls, he said. He noted, for example, that the outfall of the culvert by St. Hugh's has caused a blow-out (gully).

Kanerva commended the city for controlling sedimentation at the lake, giving as an example the sedimentation traps on two forks of the lake. (Sedimentation is the product of erosion — the wearing away of earth by water or wind.)

Kanerva explained that erosion problems generally begin in small places, such as inadequately protected downspouts and outfalls where surface water is not controlled and the ground not adequately vegetated. Several apartment dwellings around NASA, he said, have this problem. He noted that Greenbelt Junior High has a lot of stabilization problems on the site, adding regretfully that school authorities, in general, are concerned mainly with classrooms and facilities, while the need to protect the ground associated with the school structures is forgotten.

The sanitary land fill, Kanerva said, is in need of corrective measures that will trap the water at the edge of the site. The building of a berm (dirt dam) would stop the water, which would eventually be absorbed or slowly run off, while the sediment would sift out. He considered as excellent the measures taken at the site of the new People's Bank at Edmonston Road. A berm was constructed along the back side of the property to control the run-off.

He also considered the erosion control measures between the Lakewood-Woodland Hills subdivisions as fairly good. Here, the sides of the channel are lined with concrete. However, he criticized the haphazard dumping of large concrete blocks in the channel behind the 19 court of Hillside without placing them in a proper design along the banks.

Control Programs

Kanerva thought the job of getting erosion control programs underway will be easier now that both the state and county have anti-pollution and sedimentation control laws with teeth in them. He pointed with optimism to the Beltway Plaza plans for correction of the "critical" slope.

Kanerva also gave some helpful hints on how to get proper erosion control programs. He suggested that building permits spell out any erosion problems that might be encountered and that their solutions should be planned for in advance, as is now being done during the construction of 58 new stores at the Beltway Plaza. If the design is not adhered to, he said, then the Inspections Department has the right to suspend construction.

He suggested that citizens become informed about the laws and notify

the city where evidences of erosion are located. He said that such groups as high school students could be encouraged to help work at correcting some of the soil stabilization problems. He also suggested that the city use the offices of the Soil Conservation District to get help.

Parkdale Social Studies Offerings

by Racquel Gonzalez

In an attempt to broaden the curriculum of the Social Studies department at Parkdale High School, the Board of Education has allowed implementation of several courses concerned with the history, background, culture, and people of Africa, Russia, Latin America, Asia, and the United States.

"Harambi" meaning 'together' in Swahili is how Irving Harris describes the black studies program. Harris teaches Afro-American Studies, African Studies, Problems of Democracy, and is the adviser to the Human Relations Committee.

Afro-American Studies deals with the black experience in the United States, the black man's contributions, music, movements, literature, and problems.

African Studies deals with Africa south of the Sahara Desert. In this course, students study the African's living patterns before the dawn of Western civilization.

Russian Studies is designed to further the student's knowledge of the geography, current events, and history of Russia. According to Robert Kovalchik, instructor, the students are anxious to learn about the history, affects, and meaning of Communism.

William Steiner teaches Latin American Studies two periods a day, during which time he attempts to cover general cultural problems, instead of dealing with each country separately. Additional focus is placed on the Spanish influence in contemporary Latin America.

Teaching Asian Studies are Mrs. Patricia Madison and Robert White. Their classes are devoted to the study of the cultures, ideas, and politics of the Japanese, Indian, and Chinese cultures.

Two seminar courses are also being offered for the first time this year at Parkdale: U. S. History Seminar, taught by Mrs. Louise Cooper, and Problems of Democracy Seminar, taught by Mr. White. Seminar courses are designed for the student who has shown a deep interest in previous history courses. Emphasis is placed on student participation, advanced discussions, and independent study and reading projects.

Junior Highlights

by Jeannie Wilson

A special invitation is being made to all parents of sixth grade students to attend the next GJHS PTA on Tuesday, March 9 at 8 pm. The program revolves around the various cultural areas that are studied in seventh grade. Some of these areas are Latin America, Africa, Asia, and Europe. The school library will be demonstrating materials that are used in these seventh grade areas.

Students will be issued unsatisfactory notices on Friday, March 5.

On Saturday, March 13 seventh grade students will have an opportunity to participate in a Philadelphia Tour including the Academy of Natural Science, Independence Hall, and Franklin Institute, departing from the school at 7:30 a.m. and arriving back at 9:30 p.m.

Lions Study Drug Abuse

by C. M. Cormack

Following the lead of Lion Dan Minster, the Greenbelt Lions Club has become involved in the study of drug abuse and means for inhibiting its spread in our community.

Detective Sgt. John C. Krob of the Greenbelt Police Force spoke to the Lions on the growing drug abuse problem in our community at the Feb. 8 club meeting. The local problem is not large in terms of apprehensions and arrests, but Sgt. Krob estimated that for every arrest there are fifty or more unknown users. Indications are that the number of users has increased significantly over the past several years and appears to be on the rise.

At the Feb. 22 meeting of the club Sgt. Krob showed an informative film on the nature and effects of "LSD-24." This film stressed the peculiar and totally unpredictable effects that have been witnessed by ingestion of minute amounts of this drug which had been prepared by amateur chemists in illegal laboratories. Impurities in the drug are suspected of causing many of these effects. The dangers of unanticipated flash-back were also noted.

March 8 will find Pharmacist Larry Jason of Greenbelt Consumer Services, Inc. discussing the drug abuse problem as seen through the eyes of a druggist.

The public is invited to attend the March 8 meeting of the Greenbelt Lions Club at the American Legion Post Home at 7:30 p.m., following the Lions regular dinner, to hear this talk by Jason.

Summer Playgrounds Need Volunteers

Plans are under way to provide summer playgrounds at the Springhill Lake and North End Elementary Schools. Prince Georges County Parks and Recreation Department will provide leadership and the Greenbelt Recreation Department will provide arts and crafts supplies, sports equipment and special program assistance.

A volunteer Playground Chairman is needed at each location to act as liaison and to assist the leaders. Other volunteers are needed to assist with registration, transportation and special events on a continuing or one-time basis. Further information and volunteer assignments may be obtained from the Greenbelt Recreation Department, 474-6878.

U. of M. Summer School

The University of Maryland 1971 Summer School bulletin is now available to the general public, according to School Director Clotus R. Smith.

Among the special institutes and workshops to be offered are a National Science Foundation Institute for High School Teachers of Biology, Anthropological Field School, Workshop for Teachers of Disadvantaged Youth, Workshop in Ethnic Studies, and Vocational Education Workshop.

Copies of the 1971 Summer School bulletin may be obtained by writing to The Summer School, 201 Turner Laboratory, University of Maryland, College Park, Md., 20742 or by phoning (301) 454-3347/8.

First Aid Classes

The Prince Georges County Chapter of the American Red Cross, announces the start of first aid classes to be held in the following locations:

Standard and Advanced first aid class, to be held at the Chapter Building, 6206 Belcrest Road, Hyattsville. This class will begin Thursday, March 11, from 7 to 10 p.m. To register for the course call the Chapter, 927-4400, between 9 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

Advanced first aid class will also be held at the Chapter Building. This course will begin Tuesday, March 16, from 7 to 9:30 p.m. The second class will be held on Wednesday, March 24, and classes will continue on Wednesdays thereafter. To register for the course, call the Chapter, 927-4400.

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The Police Blotter

According to Chief William B. Lane, the Greenbelt police are currently conducting a campaign to insure that people comply with the Maryland State Motor Vehicle Law. The police are giving notices to all out-of-state cars that the owners have 30 days to obtain Maryland license plates. In addition to residents (defined as people who live in Maryland and are gainfully employed in the state), people described as custodians of motor vehicles must also obtain Maryland plates. For instance, if a driver has a car which he uses, even though it may be registered to someone else in another state and, if the driver is a resident of Maryland, he must obtain Maryland tags. A person who drives a company car which is registered in another state but is garaged in Maryland must apply for a reciprocal sticker. He can obtain an application for this sticker from any police department.

Those who are exempt from obtaining Maryland tags fall into four categories: 1) members of the armed forces who are on active duty, 2) members of the U. S. Public Health Service, 3) students who are registered in an accredited Maryland college or university which has reciprocity with this state, and 4) temporary seasonal residents who are visiting for not more than 120 days.

The new 1971 stickers have gone out on March 1 and must be displayed on the license tags by March 31, at which time it will be a violation not to have the stickers on the tags.

Chief Lane notes that the department receives from two to three calls per week complaining about the noise or danger of youngsters on mini bikes on public or private property. Only a licensed driver may be allowed to ride a licensed mini bike. Such bikes are not allowed on public property. Although some owners have allowed the bikes on their property, in the past, they now have withdrawn their consent because they discovered that they would be liable for any injuries incurred on their property. If a youngster is caught by the police unlawfully riding a mini bike, he will be warned and his parents notified. Under Maryland law, Chief Lane notes, parents can now be held responsible for unlawful acts committed by their children. Chief Lane further stated that a suburban area is simply not a suitable location for riding mini bikes unless a supervised area can be set aside for such an activity. Tickets may be issued after repeated failures to comply with the law.

In another traffic case, a woman was driving behind a car going rather slowly on Crescent Rd. When she blew her horn, the car ahead proceeded normally, then stopped abruptly, nearly causing a collision. As the woman tried to pass the other car, she was cut off and forced onto the shoulder. She stopped and the other car stopped also and three boys inside got out and approached her. Seeing the occupant, they went back to their car and drove off. The woman however, had noted the license number of the vehicle and alerted the police, who charged the youthful driver with reckless driving and assault with a motor vehicle.

The department is still accepting applications for police officers with the force. There are two vacancies.

The following statistics were released by the Greenbelt police department showing a decrease in all types of crime in the city. Chief Wm. Lane attributes the decrease to a complete staff including a detective.

OFFENSE	1969	1970
Breaking & Entering	81	44
Robbery	3	2
Larceny/Theft	600	454
Auto Larceny	136	82
Vandalism	136	167
Assault	45	29

TOTAL ARRESTS	1969	1970
Criminal	348	359
Traffic	1,502	3,240

On Saturday, Feb. 6, at 10:54 p.m., the Beltway Liquor Store was held up. While four clerks were working in the back, the one clerk in

the front of the store reported that a male Caucasian, 20-30 years old, red crew cut, slim build, and wearing black trousers, held something which bulged in the pocket of his black jacket. He asked the clerk for the money in the register, and the clerk handed over approximately \$70. A look-out has been posted.

Cpt. Van Valkenburg recovered a vehicle stolen in Baltimore and arrested the thief on Southway Rd.

PFC Miskell, while on regular patrol, observed a suspicious vehicle in the parking lot of Beltway Plaza. He noted the license number of the car and the description of the occupants. At a later date, a bank outside of Greenbelt was held up and robbed; the police description matched the description of the car Miskell had observed and he was able to provide the county police with more detailed information.

Det. Sgt. Krob gave a talk on narcotics before the Greenbelt Lions Club.

At 4:30 a.m. a man living at Lakeside North reported observing someone breaking the antenna on his car. Soon after the police arrived, the suspect came out of another building, where he too was a resident. The owner of the damaged car charged the other man with tampering with a motor vehicle. The latter was arrested and posted a \$200 bond.

A lady shopper at S. Klein's reported that two bags of clothing which she had just purchased and momentarily left unattended were stolen.

On February 10, at 12:15, after leaving the Beltway Theatre, a couple reported that they were relieved of \$17 in cash, watches, an engagement ring and wedding bands, by someone who appeared behind them, thrust something in the man's back, and told them not to turn around. They didn't turn around and consequently there is no description.

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Stores currently planned for construction include a Ben Franklin variety store, Sears Satellite store, Miles shoes, Thom McAn shoes, Hanover shoes, DeYoung shoes, Russell Stover candies, Fifth Avenue Cards, Junior Hot Shoppes, Park Lane Hosiery, Rio Shoppes, and a host of other stores, including men's clothes, women's clothes, jewelry, and hi-fi.

Leasing is still in progress for the stores under construction, with occupancy anticipated as of September 1971.

Brown also announced development of another shopping center, to be known as the University Plaza Shopping Center. Located at the corner of University Blvd. and Riggs Road, this center will total 100,000 square feet. Its major tenant will be Spartans Industries, who operate hundreds of stores throughout the United States, including the Korvette chain.

Practical Nursing Class

February high school graduates are reminded that the Prince George's General Hospital School of Practical Nursing is now accepting applications for its next fall class, which is scheduled to get underway in September.

The school, which covers a 12-month period, offers a fully accredited course in nursing fundamentals. Students selected for participation attend classes daily and are rotated throughout the hospital areas on a 40-hour week schedule, 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Satisfactory completion of the one-year course will qualify students to take the examination for licensure for Practical Nurses, as prescribed by the Maryland State Board of Examiners of Nurses.

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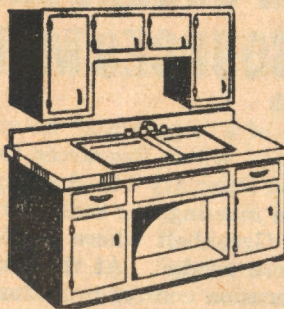
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The children's book discussion group WEBs (We Enjoy Books) will meet Wednesday evenings from 7 to 8 p.m. in the Children's Program Room on March 10. This group is for children aged 10 through 12. On Saturday, March 6, at 2 p.m. in the Meeting Room, for children ages 6-12 the Snow Time Show will include these films, *Between the Tides*, *Rainshower*, *Story About Ping*.

A foreign doll collection loaned by Terry Vidi will be displayed in the Children's Services display case, watercolors by Arthur Powell will be in the Adult Services Section, and a grape culture and wine-making exhibit will be in the Concourse display case.



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Private Anthony Landine, who is with the National Guard, is taking basic training in Ft. Lewis, Washington. After completing the course, he will be stationed at Ft. Sam Houston in San Antonio, Texas for ten weeks. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Landine of Greenbelt.

Colleen and Ann Louise McCord, 14-Q Ridge, are back home after a marvelous vacation in Germany, Belgium, Austria, Switzerland and Italy.

Thomas Paskalides, 27 Lakeside, Supervisor of Physical Education for the Prince Georges Board of Education, is serving for 1970-71 on the Executive Board of the Maryland Association for Health, Physical Education and Recreation. He is Vice President-Elect, Physical Education.

Gary Buchanan, 2-K Eastway, was named to the President's Honors List at the University of Colorado for the fall semester.

Only two points separated the first place team from the third-place team at last Friday's duplicate bridge session. The winners were Ann and Tony Pisano with 30 points, followed by George and Reiko Beckert with 29, and Adelaide and Ed Kaighn with 28. Next game: Friday, March 12.

Louis M. Levine, son of Mr. & Mrs. Lawrence Levine, of 3-H Eastway is serving his country in Viet Nam. His friends may write him as follows: Pvt. Louis M. Levine, 212-54-6438, Co. C - 716th M. P. Bn., APO San Francisco 96243.

It's a boy for Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Weaver, 52-B Crescent. Robert Lynn was born Jan. 26 weighing 7 lbs. 10 oz.

Debbie Miller from Springhill Lake Elementary School was a winner in the Children's Dental Week Poster Contest. She received a savings bond.

Airman Mark J. Spare, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Spare, 9106 Edmonston, completed the U. S. Air Force supply inventory specialist course at Lowry AFB in Colorado. The airman is being assigned to Vietnam for duty with the Pacific Air Forces.

Albert Herling, 13-M Ridge, was appointed by the County Commissioners to serve on the county's Community Goals Advisory Committee. The committee, which was empowered by the State Legislature, sets goals in the areas of economics, land development, education, health, recreation, culture, etc.

Cadet Edward W. Erdman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald A. Erdman, 225 Lastner, was one of fourteen members of the Fishburne Military School's Hudgins Rifles drill team who captured third place honors and a silver trophy last week at the 25th Annual George Washington Day Parade in Alexandria, Virginia. Twenty-five drill teams from secondary schools and colleges throughout the Eastern United States competed. A senior, Cadet Erdman is also a member of the basketball team and was selected for membership in the honors program.

We're glad to see Elena Palmer, three-year-old daughter of the Charles Palmers, 5-H Laurel Hill Rd., back home again after her long stay in the hospital with pneumonia.

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ITS KASH CREAM instead of Philadelphia Cream in this 2 BR end home with remodeled kit., W/W carp. and just right for you. Be there for spring and enjoy the WOODS in the back. Take over pmts. of \$90.50 after dwn. pmt. All utilities except elect. and phone are included. \$11,600.

ITS JUST LIKE CREAM ON MILK. MONEY IS PLENTIFUL! POINTS ARE DOWN TO THE LOWEST POINT IN YEARS! VA AND FHA FINANCING IS WAITING TO GO! COME TO KASH REALTOR ABOVE THE POST OFFICE IN THE GREENBELT SHOPPING CENTER FOR EXPERT FINANCING ADVICE OR CALL 345-2151 ANYTIME, BEFORE YOU GO TO WORK OR AFTER OFFICE HOURS. 9 A.M. TO 9 P.M.

COTTAGE CHEESE is alright but this 2 BR ramblar with optional 3rd BR near Greenbelt will knock your eye out. With W/W carp., rec. rm. with bar plus enclosed porch, on a huge shady lot near Greenbelt—it will be hard to beat. With modest dwn. pmt. you can take over loan on this fine home. \$24,925.

ITS GOUDA be a long time before you find as beautiful a home as this 2 BR with optional 3rd BR plus 2 baths and a huge rec. rm. with bar. Take over pmts. of \$151.68/mo. after dwn. pmt. Or buy on FHA/VA terms. Priced to go at \$25,550 FHA.

SWISS! This 3 BR end home will not last long when you consider the location being next to woods and near the center. Take over pmts. of \$101.25/mo. after dwn. pmt. Heat and all utilities included except elect. & phone. \$14,700.

LONGHORNS will be needed to get you out of this home once you are ensconced in this 3 BR Brick home with side porch, basement, and located on lg. yard. \$24,900 on FHA/VA terms.

ITS THE MOZZERELLA house you will see around here. Consider 9 BRs 3 baths, plus basement and located on a nice lot near Greenbelt. Owner will hold 1st. trust with \$5,000 down. \$35,000.

"BRICK" This the only way to describe this beautiful home with 3 BR & possible 4th. Lge. Williamsburg addition with F.P. Move now to get this best home near the center. Call for details and appointment to show.

CHEEZE WHIZ! Here is another 3 BR Brick End home near the center that is truly a show place. With remodeled kit, bath, liv. Rm. & din. rm. plus a beautiful yard. Call about this one before it is gone, gone, gone. Take over pmts. of \$131.25/mo. after dwn. pmt. that includes all utilities except elect. & heat. \$26,850.

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GHI Looks For \$31,000 to Convert 15 Burners As Required By New Law

by Sid Kastner

Conversion of the heating plants and finance committee recommendations were among the large number of matters dealt with by the Greenbelt Homes, Inc. board at its regular meeting on Thursday, Feb. 25; the board also listened to complaints about water leaks from two members, and tried to wind up the contracting part of the townhouse project.

Recent new state air pollution regulations have made it necessary to convert fifteen oil burners, in the steam heating plants, to a lighter grade of oil. According to the staff's report, this would do away with the heavy clouds of black smoke which have been emitted from the plant chimneys, and at the same time make for a more efficient operation. The cost of this conversion, including rewiring and modernized controls, will come to about \$30,850.

Most of the board were convinced of the need for the conversion, but a sticking point was the source of funds for it. Director Darwin Beck raised the question of whether part of the \$227,000 capital improvement budget would have to be used; if so, he and director Thomas White voiced reservations, saying that the board could not properly change priorities in this way. The difficulty was avoided by separating the project from its financing in a final motion by director Charles Schwan, which approved the project as urgently necessary.

Action on Home Resales

Two recommendations aimed at curtailing too-frequent home selling were offered to the board by Beck, as chairman of the Finance committee. The first was that management should consider purchasing any home offered for resale within two years, second that there should no longer be any waivers of the current contract requirements with respect to houses held less than two years. This would also give the corporation an opportunity to renovate these homes, Beck said. He noted that in the last five years, about one hundred frame homes had been resold within the two year period, as contrasted with twenty-two masonry homes.

Some of the board members, and Gordon Allen, raised questions about the cost of renovations. The recommendations were approved however; on a further motion by Schwan, following a proposal by director David Lange, the policy changes were referred to the manager for cost analysis, and then will be considered by appropriate committees.

Two visitors complained about leaks in their homes after the recent heavy rains. One said her basement was flooded, while the other related that she has had a problem of this kind for the last nine months with water running down the side of her house and coming in through a window. Though the manager said workmen had found no gutter or roof leaks in an earlier investigation, she maintained that service has not been properly carried out. The board asked the manager to look further into the situation.

Final details of the contract with the townhouse builder, J. R. Lawrence Co., are being worked out in correspondence between manager Breashears and the builder's lawyer. Gordon Allen raised a question of whether the builder should be responsible for repairing sidewalks that have shifted, near Allen's home; he felt that too many concessions had already been made. The board, however, authorized Breashears to continue with the negotiations, in which apparently a sum of about five thousand dollars remains to be paid.

It has been suggested by the Landscape Committee that trees be planted to shade the children's playgrounds in the townhouse area, also that the homeowners there should be assisted by GHI in planting trees of their own. Both of these proposals were received with favor by the board, and the

staff will proceed to implement them.

Other Actions

A motion was passed to support the city in its consideration of the possibility of acquiring all of, or portions of, Parcels 1, 2, and 15 - the city's interest in such action was reported last week.

The board set Wednesday, May 19, as the date of the annual membership meeting. Lange expressed a preference for Greenbelt Center School as the locale, because of an expected large attendance.

Local Co-ops Organize Coed Explorer Post 1285

Greenbelt Homes, Inc., Greenbelt Federal Credit Union, Greenbelt News Review, Greenbelt Nursery School, Co-op Supermarket, Co-op Pharmacy, Co-op Service Station, and Twin Pines Savings & Loan Assn. are jointly sponsoring, along with the Boy Scouts of America, a new Explorer Post in Greenbelt. Girls also are urged to join!

Boys and girls of Senior High School age who are interested in exploring the job opportunities in cooperatives are invited to attend the organizing meeting Tuesday, March 9 at 8 p.m. in the meeting room above the Consumers Co-op Supermarket.

Individual members of the new Explorer Post will have opportunities to do volunteer work in the Co-op which is most interesting to them. This will allow them to get to know the people who work there and to learn the job requirements and job benefits that go along with the work.

As a group, the Explorers will also visit each of the Co-ops to see what they do and to find out about job possibilities.

Exploring careers will take up about half the Explorers' time. The other half will be spent in social activities and in exploring nature, citizenship activities and service projects. Some of these activities will be done with their own group and some with other Explorer posts. Explorers of the County, for example, will go on a weekend canoe cruise in April. They also are planning a car rally in May. Greenbelt Explorers will be able to join in these activities.

Members of the Post will also be able to work on the traditional Scout classes and the merit badge programs. No previous scouting or youth group experience is required.

For more information, applicants may contact the various co-ops, or any member of the sponsoring committee: Roy Breashears, Kenneth Buker, Jim Cassels, Mary Granofsky, Ralph Noble, Ken Reamy, Ben Rosenzweig, Betty Seidman and Wilbur Wright.

Fair Election Laws Under LWV Scrutiny

A review and clarification of League of Women Voters positions on the Fair Elections Practices section of Maryland law will occupy the attention of the members of the Greenbeltville unit of the County League at its meeting on Tuesday, March 9 at 7:45 p.m. at the Greenbelt Library.

The date for the Annual Meeting of the group has been scheduled for April 1st! A pot luck supper at 7 p.m. will precede the business session, to be held in the Hyattsville Presbyterian Church.

City Notes

A vacancy in the Finance Dept. was filled recently when Mrs. Marjorie Owen, 12-C Laurel Hill, accepted the position as Accounts Clerk. Mrs. Owen, who moved to Greenbelt from Chase City, Va., has had previous experience as a secretary for an electrical cooperative and in accounting and bookkeeping work. She completed a 1-year business course at Lynchburg College.

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Public Works Director Albert Attick and Parks Director Hans Jorgensen are agreed that too many employee man hours are spent in routine cleaning up. Park land north of Crescent Rd. opposite the Lake Park, the tennis courts, Candy Cane City, Braden Field - all have received clean-up attention from the Parks crew recently. Other clean-up work was done along roadsides in Springhill Lake and along Crescent Rd. In addition, because of two vacancies on the refuse crew, regular Public Works crewmen worked on the garbage collections during the last week in February. These vacancies have now been filled, however.

Other clean-up work resulted from recent rains. Storm sewers and gutters have all been cleaned of leaves and debris.

The general crew has also filled potholes in city streets and put a temporary patch in a damaged stretch of sidewalk in the Centerway underpass. They replaced street signs at Crescent Rd. and Lastner Lane and at Ridge and Laurel Hill. A no parking sign was placed on Edmonston Rd. beside the new bank location to prohibit parking of workmen's vehicles in the merger lane from Kenilworth Ave.

The Parks crew replaced five trees on Edmonston Rd. that had been damaged by an automobile. They fertilized trees in both Springhill Lake and Boxwood and cleaned island beds for planting along Southway Rd.

The city mechanic complete a major overhaul of the old jeep, including some body work.

The exterior of the new addition to the Youth Center is virtually complete, except for new sidewalks and landscaping. On the inside heating and air conditioning have been installed, plumbing is currently being worked on, and one coat of paint has been applied to all interior walls.

The question of whether or not to remove the second story flooring, which was poured contrary to specifications, has not yet been resolved and is currently under negotiation.

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New doors, with more effective locks, have been installed at the Ridge Rd. Center. The new main doors are made of glass.

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The Parks crew recently planted the live Christmas tree that had been used inside the Municipal Building. It was placed on the park strip between Centerway and Crescent near the McGregor Memorial tree. The late Angus MacGregor was the original landscaper for the city.

Parks Director Hans Jorgensen attended a one-day seminar of the Maryland Arborists' Assn., which was held at the University of Maryland.

New Zoning Hearing Procedures Announced

New procedures will go into effect for the conduct of zoning hearings before the county council (District Council).

Of major importance to the public is the requirement that witnesses opposing an application must register with the council clerk at least seven calendar days before the hearing. Witnesses may be cross-examined, and requests for subpoena of witnesses are permitted, provided seven days' notice is given.

The council may not consider any additional evidence from either side after the hearing is concluded, except by its own request.

Landscaping Plans For Southway Road

An agreement has been reached between the city and representatives of the State Roads Commission concerning landscaping plans for Southway Rd. All purchase costs for trees and shrubs will be assumed by the city, but Greenbelt and the state will divide the actual work of planting them, each assuming responsibility for that section of the road under its own jurisdiction.

Along the entire length of the median strip from Greenbelt Rd. to Ridge, ornamental trees - Bradford pears - will be planted. These trees are considered hardiest of showy trees suitable for use along streets. Between these trees, in a continuous row, will be dwarf pyracanthas on the State Roads section of the street to about 10 court). These plants reach a full height of no more than three feet. Evergreen, they are especially showy in the fall with large clumps of flame-colored berries.

On the city's section of the street, low growing Ilex (holly), alternating with annual flowers, will be planted in circular beds. Such circular plantings have been ruled out however, by the State Roads Commission in the section under its jurisdiction because of the extra care needed in mowing around them.

JAYCEE YOUTH TRIP

This Saturday, March 6, the members of the Greenbelt Jaycees Youth Program will go to Sugarloaf Mountain, leaving at 8:30 p.m. and returning about 3 p.m. The boys will be hiking, cooking and exploring. Fatherless boys who are interested in this program should call Arnold Miller, 345-3775.

Jaycees Building Lease Extended 5 More Years

The city recently concluded an agreement with the Greenbelt Jaycees to extend for a five-year term a lease on the city-owned Jaycee Center. Formerly the Athletic Club, the Center is a small building near Braden Field. The agreement was contingent upon the Jaycees' making various improvements to the property. They also will make the building available to the city during the summer for use in the day camp program.

In a recent inspection trip to survey improvements made by the organization, City Manager James K. Giese noted the following changes: one interior wall has been paneled, a new bathroom has been installed on the upper floor, an old concrete porch has been removed and a new wooden stoop constructed in its place, and a beam supporting the floor which had been damaged by termites has been replaced. In addition, both interior and exterior of the building have been painted and damaged wiring has been repaired.

According to Giese, the organization is also considering installing insulation for warmth.

School System Sponsors "Summertime in Europe"

The Prince Georges County Public School System is sponsoring a six-week European study tour for the summer of 1971.

Last summer, 63 students from the County participated in a European study program of Comparative Governments and Cultures. The Foreign Study League of Utah cooperated with the School System in coordinating the tour.

This summer's program will study the governments and cultures of four European countries: Italy, Austria, the Netherlands, and Great Britain. The course will introduce students to the cultural heritage of Western Europe and to her role in today's world.

The program is offered to high school students of Prince Georges County. Parochial and private high school students will be allowed to participate on a space-available basis. Students in the Prince Georges County Schools will receive one social studies credit upon successful completion of the program. The group will depart by jet in late June.

For additional information, please contact James Kern, Coordinator at 627-4800, extension 274.

GHI Members

At the Annual Membership Meeting and Election in May, 1971 Greenbelt Homes will elect five directors to serve for 2-year terms and three members to the audit committee to serve for 1-year terms. If you are interested in serving in one of these capacities, please fill out the form below and give it to a member of the Nominations and Elections Committee: George Adams, 46-D Ridge, 474-9263; Gordon Allen, 65-H Ridge, 474-4963, Jule Churchill, 65-J Ridge, 345-8588; Douglas Hawes, 5-A Laurel Hill Road, 345-3470; Jackie Shabe, 65-K Ridge Road.

GHI NOMINATIONS & ELECTIONS COMMITTEE

CONSENT FORM

Date

I,, residing at Greenbelt, Maryland, and being an accredited member of Greenbelt Homes, Inc., and therefore eligible, do herewith consent to having my name appear on the Ballot for the annual GHI election to be held in May, 1971. If elected, I will serve to the best of my ability as a member of the:

(Please check where applicable)

..... Board of Directors
(Directors are elected for 2-year terms)

..... Audit Committee
(Members of this Committee are elected for 1-year terms)

Signature

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